



**SEATTLE PARKS
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Carkeek Park

Environmental Learning Center

**950 NW Carkeek Park Rd, Seattle, WA 98177
206-684-0877**

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January – March 2005

**Living Green, Nature Classes,
and Environmental Stewardship**



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Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Holiday closures

January 1, New Year's Day
January 17, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
February 21, Presidents' Day

Program registration

Mail-in registration begins December 13

Program dates

January 1 – March 27

Location: Carkeek Park is located in northwest Seattle and is accessed by heading west on NW 110th street from 3rd Ave NW. The park is open from 6 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily. The Environmental Learning Center is just inside the main gate entrance and is open Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Park amenities include Environmental Learning Center, Play Area, Picnic Shelters, Trail System (including ADA accessible trails), View Meadows, Beach Access, and Salmon Spawning Creeks. Call 206-684-4081 for picnic shelter reservations.

Park rules: Dogs are allowed in the park but must be on leash at all times. No dogs are allowed on the beach or in the wetlands. Walkers and joggers are encouraged to enjoy our extensive trail system. No bikes are allowed on forest trails; however, paved roads allow for great rides!

Mission

Seattle Parks and Recreation will work with all citizens to be good stewards of our environment, and to provide safe and welcoming opportunities to play, learn, contemplate, and build community.

How to Find Us

Carkeek Park is located in the northwest part of Seattle at 950 NW Carkeek Park Road (north of the Holman Road QFC and west of Viewlands Elementary School).

Professional staff

Ken Bounds, Superintendent
B. J. Brooks, Deputy Superintendent
Kathie Huus, Special Units Manager
Charles Sablan, Environmental Learning Centers Manager
Janet Macri, Education Program Supervisor
Brian Gay, Naturalist
Beth Miller, Watershed Outreach Specialist
Michelle Allen, Recreation Leader
Nancie Jaramillo, Maintenance Lead

Carkeek Park Advisory Council

Current members include: Executive Board: Fran Clifton, President; Russ Kurtz, Vice President; Carey Chaplin, Secretary; Lex Voorhoeve, Treasurer.
General Members: Shirley Anderson, John Fisher, Dean Fournier, Carolyn Kruse, Nancy Malmgren, Peter Marx, Gudrun Murti, Linda Sawyer, Ron Schaevitz, Lex Voorhoeve, and Cynthia Wilson.

Payment

You can pay for classes and other activities by mail or in person during regular facility hours. Please make checks and money orders out to Carkeek Park Advisory Council (CPAC). Please note: Payment is due when you register, unless we have indicated otherwise. If your check is returned for insufficient funds, your registration will be cancelled until you pay the amount due, plus a \$20 fee (cash only). We are working on a system that will make online registration available in the future.

Refunds

It is the policy of Seattle Parks and Recreation and the Associated Recreation Council that:

- Anyone who registers for a class, camp, special event or program that is cancelled by Parks and Recreation or the Advisory Council will receive a full refund.
- Anyone who registers for a day camp, trip, overnight camp, special event, or facility rental, and requests a refund 14 days or more before its start (or before the second session of a class), may receive a refund minus a service charge.
- Anyone who registers for a day camp, trip, overnight camp, special event, or facility rental, and who withdraws from the activity fewer than 14 days before its start (or after the second session of a class), will receive no refund.
- Please read policy, #7.16 for specific information.

E-Brochures are available!

In keeping with our environmental stewardship policies, we're trying to reduce the amount of paper we use. We invite you to visit our web site at www.seattle.gov/parks. You can find this brochure information online.

Carkeek Park Calendar of Events



January

- Tue, Jan 4** Tyke Hikes Begin
- Fri, Jan 7** Family Friday: Rainbows to Moondogs — The Celebration of Light
- Sun, Jan 9** Llandover Woods Open Space Work Party
- Fri, Jan 14** Family Friday: “Can’t I Stay in Bed?” — Who’s Asleep?
- Sat, Jan 15** Carkeek STARS Work Party
Piper’s Orchard Work Party
- Fri, Jan 21** Family Friday: Sasquatch! — Northwest Myths & Monsters
- Sat, Jan 22** Trees for Salmon Planting Day
- Wed, Jan 26** The Ins and Outs of Backyard Wildlife: Building Your Backyard Wildlife Habitat
- Fri, Jan 28** Family Friday: Blustery Storms and Waves — Puget Sound in Winter

February

- Fri, Feb 4** Family Friday: Shelter from the Storm — Birds of Winter
- Fri, Feb 11** Family Friday: Love, Birds, and Chocolate — Nature’s Valentine to You
- Sun, Feb 13** Llandover Woods Open Space Work Party

- Wed, Feb 16** The Ins and Outs of Backyard Wildlife: Living with Coyotes, Mountain Beavers, and Other Mammals of Carkeek Park
- Sat, Feb 19** Carkeek STARS Work Party
Piper’s Orchard Work Party
- Fri, Feb 25** Family Friday: Orphans and Orcas — The Wild World of the Sea Wolf

March

- Thu, Mar 3** Watershed-Wise Garden Design Workshop
- Fri, Mar 4** Family Friday: Power! — Getting Kids and Families DOING Energy Conservation
- Wed, Mar 9** The Ins and Outs of Backyard Wildlife: Secrets of the Salmon-Wildlife Relationship
- Fri, Mar 11** Family Friday: Plants, Potions, and Prints — Plant Dyes, Foods, and Art (don’t forget to bring a white t-shirt!)
- Sun, Mar 13** Llandover Woods Open Space Work Party
- Tue, Mar 15** Watershed-Wise Garden Design Workshop
- Fri, Mar 18** Family Friday: Awakening! — Babies, Blooms, and Birth at Carkeek
- Sat, Mar 19** Piper’s Orchard Work Party
Carkeek STARS Work Party
- Wed, Mar 30** The Ins and Outs of Backyard Wildlife: “Was that a Rat in My Tree?” — Living with (or without) Rats, Squirrels, and Birds

April

- Sat, Apr 23** Earth Day

Living Green

Watershed-Wise Garden Design Workshop

Get started designing your own sustainable garden. Learn how to accurately map your existing site conditions, apply basic site analysis concepts to your property, and start master-planning your way towards your own sustainable dream garden. We'll take a look at some inspiring examples of creative outdoor spaces, help you identify your site's assets, and problems, and get you started diagramming your own sustainable site solutions. Call 206-684-0877 to register.

This class meets twice:

7 – 9 p.m.

Thu, Mar 3

7 – 9 p.m.

Tue, Mar 15

Fees: Free!

Location: Carkeek Environmental Learning Center

WANTED: Salmon Friendly Gardens

For the 3rd Annual Piper's Creek Real People's Gardens Tour — June 2005

We are looking for natural/organic gardens featuring watershed friendly or sustainable gardening practices including native and/or drought tolerant disease resistant plantings, lawns, mature evergreens, and backyard wildlife habitat plantings. If you, or anyone you know, have information regarding the whereabouts of such watershed-friendly gardens please contact Beth or Caitlin at 206-684-0877 as soon as possible.

Free Piper's Creek Watershed Tours

Curious about the new street drainage projects in Broadview? Want to see the new sustainably-designed Environmental Learning Center at Carkeek Park? Always wondered what the "Welcome to Piper's Creek Watershed" sign really is about? Free tours are available for groups of 8 or more. Call 206-684-0877 for more information or to schedule your group.



Trees for Salmon

Purchase a Living Christmas Tree from Swansons Nursery and help the Piper's Creek Salmon Habitat. This holiday season, Swansons is teaming up with the Carkeek Park Environmental Learning Center to help the ongoing effort to bring healthy salmon habitat back to Piper's Creek, our neighborhood watershed. When you shop for a living Christmas tree this year, you can contribute in three ways:

1. Purchase any living Christmas tree, and Swansons will donate a native tree sapling to be planted by volunteers along Piper's Creek in Carkeek Park to help restore the creek's salmon habitat.
2. Purchase a living Christmas tree of any northwest native species from Swansons (marked with the salmon ornament) and after the holidays, you can plant your tree in your yard **or** you can return your native tree to Swansons (by January 15, 2005), and it will be added to our restoration planting project.
3. Make a \$3 donation, and Swansons will donate a native tree sapling to Carkeek's restoration planting project.

Last year the Trees for Salmon campaign was a great success, contributing over 230 trees and shrubs to our watershed. Donate a tree and/or join us for our planting party (see page 7) in January 22, 2005 and make a difference in the neighborhood!

Nature Classes

Family Fridays at Carkeek Park

Carkeek Park Environmental Learning Center is the place for you Fridays this Winter! Bring your Family and make collages, share and listen to *more* stories of our world, pull out the cider and popcorn and see a film or two, share in the family science workshops, or walk with us on a night hike to learn more about who's out there or. Call 206-684-0877 for more details.

Fridays 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Fees: Free!

Location: Carkeek Park Environmental Learning Center

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Carkeek Tyke Hikes are for you!

Share nature with your children. Down in a hidden valley where the grass and ferns grow 'neath the tall old trees is a special place for you and your child to explore. **Tyke Hikes** provide you the tools to help your child love the outdoors.

You and a professional naturalist share a new subject each Tuesday (for example, water, color and shapes, growth, signs of nature etc.) through stories, songs, crafts and outdoor activities. Register early as group size is limited: 206-684-0877.

Age: 3- to 6-year-olds with an adult

Tuesdays 1:30 - 2:45 p.m. Jan 4 - Mar 29

Fees: \$20 per adult & child. Up to 2 additional children @ \$10 each

Location: Carkeek Park Environmental Learning Center

Eye Wonder Programs

A splendid mixture of sensory-exploratory and animal programs provide your pre-school children with a deeper look at the natural world in a fun and interesting way. Introduce them to natural wonders with our one hour long programs; Mice and Monsters, Earth Secrets, and Collecting it All. Ask your pre-school or kindergarten if they have heard about Eye Wonder. **Please call at least three weeks in advance of your preferred trip date to schedule a program.**

Age: Preschool & Kindergarten age

Fees: 7-10 children/\$35; 11-20 children/\$70



Nature Classes

Nature Discovery Group Programs

Please call 206-684-0877 at least three weeks in advance of your preferred date to schedule a program.

Nature Discovery is a unique, adaptable ecology activity series that integrates science, language arts and environmental programs with your classroom, community group, or service group. These two-hour-long programs meet the Washington Essential Academic Learning Requirements and support National Science Foundation kit programs. Programs can be adapted and brought to your school, park, lake or nearby green space. Interactive, investigative programs currently relate to wetlands, forest, salmon and beaches.

Also, we provide a basic program on plant growth and development — most appropriate for younger elementary students — and a general ecology program is available for older elementary and middle school students.

Fees: 1–15 students/\$65, 16–30 students/\$130

Naturalists in the Schools: Tell your school! You can receive a **free**, hour-long visit from a professional naturalist presented in a way that blends with your classroom teaching (supports school academic requirements). Our one-hour programs visually and actively connect your child/student with a natural, hands-on experience connected to one of our Nature Discovery topics. Ask your child's teacher to call us today!

Fees: Free!

Get “Pack” to Nature

For an interactive, environmental learning experience, pick up a Discovery Daypack from the Environmental Learning Center with materials and an easy-to-understand Exploration Guide so you can perform hands-on experiments as you walk the trails and beaches of Carkeek Park.

“Pack” activities

- are free, one per small group
- are designed for children Grades K–5
- require adult supervision
- focus on self-guided, family-oriented education

Stop by the Environmental Learning Center and hit the trails! Come borrow our Beach, Forest or Wetland Ecology Packs today! Each backpack comes filled with games, craft ideas, magnifying glasses, dip nets, other tools, field guides, and more.

Check-out a free backpack with a valid Washington Driver's

License or credit card. Backpacks are available Monday– Friday at 10 a.m. and must be returned by 3 p.m.



Coming Soon: Earth Keepers Summer Day Camp

Are you looking for a summer program that allows your child to create, imagine, explore, discover, play, learn and shine? Carkeek Park's Earth Keepers Summer Day Camp program is what you've been looking for! Our caring, experienced Naturalists will help open a world of discovery for your child using Carkeek Park's unique outdoor classroom environment.

Camp is designed to accommodate children ages 6 to 12 and the Naturalist to camper ratio

is 1:10. Activities include learning games and investigation, art and craft projects, presenters from outside organizations, park exploration and some unstructured time. Hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. After-care (until 6 p.m.) will be provided if there is sufficient need (8 requests/week).

Registration begins April 1, and each week is limited to 40 campers. Call 206-684-0877 for more information about registration.

Age: 6 to 12

Location: Carkeek Park

Environmental Stewardship



Earn Service Learning credits

Satisfy your environmental science service learning requirement while exploring the wilds of

Carkeek Park. Under the direction of Nancie Jaramillo, you will receive instruction and participate in invasive plant removal and reforestation activities. **To schedule your service learning opportunity, please contact Nancie Jaramillo at nancie.jaramillo@seattle.gov or 206-684-4256.**

Wetlands Work Parties

Come help with the continuous restoration of Carkeek Park Wetlands area. Activities include invasive removal, planting and general maintenance to improve wetlands water quality. Be prepared to get your feet wet and come participate in this unique volunteer opportunity. For more information and Saturday schedule, please contact Scott Stolnack at scott.stolnack@ptk.org or 206-527-8353. Co-sponsored by SPU Creek Stewards Program and Carkeek Park. Registration is required.

Piper's Orchard Work Parties

Join the Western Cascade Fruit Society/Piper Orchard Chapter in maintaining the historic Piper's orchard. Volunteers prune, trim, and clear debris. **Contact Ron Schaevitz for more information ronshave@comcast.net or 425-745-8844. Registration is required.**

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Sat, Jan 15
10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Sat, Feb 19
10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Sat, Mar 19
Location: Meet at the orchard

Carkeek "STARS" Work Parties

Looking for exercise, camaraderie, and a fun way to help the community? Join us at Carkeek park and become one of our "STARS" (Stream, Trails And Resource Stewards)! We are continually restoring and improving our native landscape. Help us in our efforts to keep the invasive plants at bay; create safe, user-friendly trails; replenish our native forests; and protect our streams from erosion and urban run-off. We have outdoor work parties every third Saturday of the month year-round. We also Adopt-An-Area for individual stewards. **Registration is required; for information, please contact Nancie Jaramillo at nancie.jaramillo@seattle.gov or 206-684.4256 or Cynthia Wilson at 206-781-2263. All participants must arrive 15 minutes before work parties are scheduled to begin.**

9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Sat, Jan 15
9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Sat, Feb 19
9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Sat, Mar 19

Llandover Woods Open Space

Stewards for Llandover Woods will be hosting a work party each month to restore habitats at risk from invasive plants. Join us at 9 a.m. for a bird walk to explore the jewels of Llandover. We will remove invasives from 10 a.m. – Noon. Tools, gloves and instructions will be provided. **For additional information, please contact Penny Rose: 206-386-4250 or penny.rose@seattle.gov. Registration is required.**

9 a.m. – Noon Sun, Jan 9
9 a.m. – Noon Sun, Feb 13
9 a.m. – Noon Sun, Mar 13
Location: East parking lot off of NW 145th ST & 3rd Ave NW.



Environmental Stewardship

The Ins and Outs of Backyard Wildlife

What works to bring them in and keep them out? Good environmental stewardship begins in our own backyards; so does wildlife conflict.

We love the outdoors, yet we may be smothering the outdoors with our numbers and our conversion of land to housing and development. While many of us may not realize it, a property owner is also a habitat manager. The things we do, or do not do, in the vicinity of our homes have an effect on the quality of habitat for dozens of wildlife species. Sometimes they even get aggressive about wanting to share our backyards.

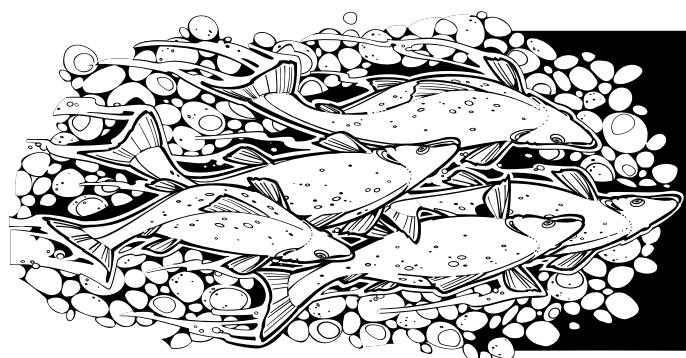
Let's talk about the goods and the bads of wildlife as we build our backyard paradises so we can appreciate the wildlife around our homes. Learn to make our properties better places for songbirds and other wildlife species that have lived in our area long before people began to settle. **Call 206-684-0877 to register.**

Four Wednesday evening sessions

Wednesdays 7 – 9 p.m.

Fees: Free!

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Be a Creek Steward

Creek stewards adopt and care for habitat plantings along a creek, monitor their sites, and have the opportunity to learn more about creek related topics through site stewardship workshops. **For details, please call Bob Spencer, Seattle Public Utilities Creek Steward Program Coordinator at 206-684-4163.**

Location: Creekside sites in Thornton, Longfellow and Piper's Creek.

Join the Carkeek Park Citizen Water Quality Monitoring Team

Join the Carkeek Park Citizen Water Quality Monitoring Team. Learn what water characteristics are important to the health of Piper's Creek aquatic life, special needs of the salmon and how you can help protect the water quality of Puget Sound. Learn how to use water quality monitoring tests. **For more information, please call Diana Hampden-Smith at 206-367-8936.**

Sponsored by: CWCAP, Piper's Creek Watershed Interpretive Program, SPU's Creek Steward Program, and Carkeek Park.

Trees for Salmon Planting Day

We need your help! Come give some muscle-power for the Piper's Creek salmon when we plant trees and understory shrubs in Carkeek Park on the fourth annual Trees for Salmon Planting Day.

With help from Swansons Nursery staff, Parks and Recreation staff, and other watershed volunteers like yourself, we will plant useful native plants in the forest above Piper's Creek. These plants provide shade, homes and nutrients for salmon and other wildlife. The plants are supplied through an annual holiday plant donation program at Swansons Nursery in cooperation with Seattle Parks and Recreation. **Please register by calling 206-684-4256.**

10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sat, Jan 22

Environmental Stewardship

Fish-Friendly Car Wash Kit Available at Carkeek Park

Car washes can be terrific fundraisers, and a great way to build community. However, if a car wash is done incorrectly it can hurt local fish and other wildlife. Most of the storm drains and ditches around Carkeek Park and the neighborhoods of Blue Ridge, Broadview, Crown Hill and Greenwood connect to Piper's Creek, so soapy water, dirt, and phosphates get into the creek. Seattle Public Utilities has developed a car wash kit you can borrow which will help filter the water from your car wash as it goes into the storm drains and ditches. The kit is available at Carkeek Park.

To borrow the kit for your next community car wash fundraiser or find out more call 206-684-0877. A \$25 fully-refundable deposit is required when borrowing the kit.

Earth Day

Join in the 25th Annual Earth Day Event for Carkeek Park and the Piper's Creek Watershed! The theme this year is "Salmon Friendly Neighbors Help Salmon Leap into the Future!" This year will also honor youth groups and showcase special projects done by senior Boy Scouts and Carkeek Park volunteers. Extensive work will be done in key watershed areas important to salmon survival. Work will include storm drain stenciling, litter removal, and distribution of literature about being Salmon Friendly Neighbors. Register now to Participate in the Earth Day Cleanup of Carkeek Park. Sponsored by CWCAP, Creek Steward Program, Carkeek Park, and Piper's Creek Watershed Project. **For information and registration contact Nancy Malmgren at 206-363-4116.**

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sat, Apr 23

Location: Carkeek Environmental Learning Center

Birthday Party Package at Carkeek Park

Looking for something different for your child's birthday party this year? Celebrate your child's birthday at Carkeek Park. Choose from the following topics:

- Fantastic Forests
- Earth's Secrets
- Beach Walk (should coincide with low tide)
- Wetlands Walkabout
- Salmon Stories

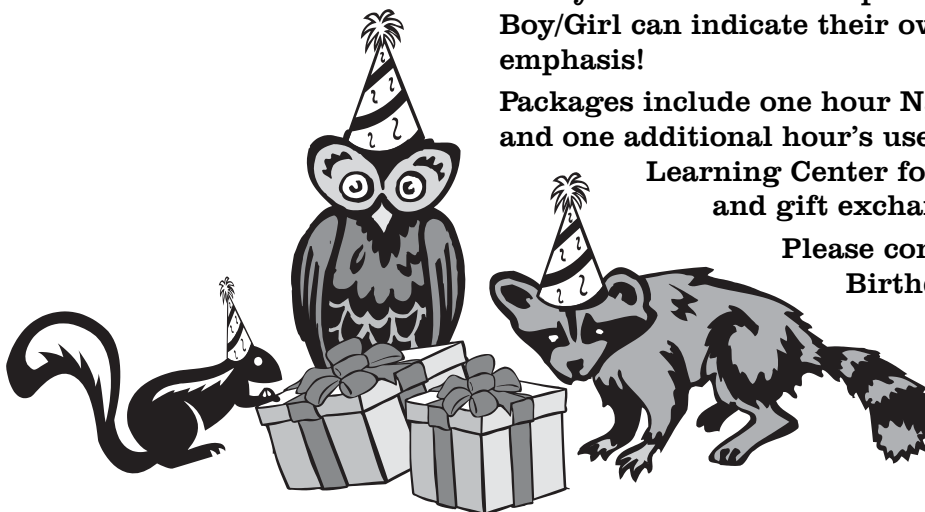
We try to accommodate special requests, so the Birthday Boy/Girl can indicate their own interests for special emphasis!

Packages include one hour Naturalist-guided park time and one additional hour's use of the Environmental Learning Center for gathering, refreshments and gift exchange.

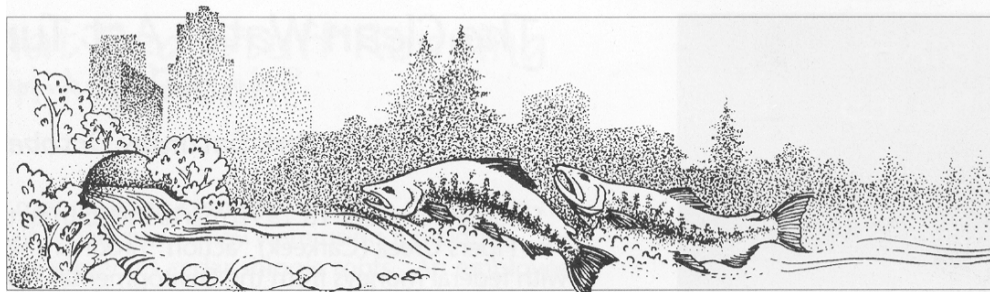
Please contact us to inquire about a Birthday Party Package.

Preschool (3–5 yrs): \$80 for up to 10 kids, \$120 for 11–20 kids.

School Age (6–12 yrs): \$100 for up to 15 kids, \$130 for 16–30 kids.



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Headwaters

provides a forum for communication and discussion of local watershed issues. Headwaters is a free newsletter produced by the Pipers Creek Watershed Project, a collaborative program of Seattle Parks and Seattle Public Utilities.

Mission

The goal of the Pipers Creek Watershed Project is to reduce nonpoint source pollution within the watershed through public involvement and education as part of a larger plan for improved water quality, creek restoration and habitat enhancement.

A Straight Talk Alert

Salmon Friendly Neighbors Needed in Piper's Creek Watershed

Nancy Malmgren, Director, Carkeek Watershed Community Action Project

What do neighbors in the watershed have to do with salmon down in Carkeek Park? The answer is everything! The stormwater that flows from your yard or driveway directly impacts the water quality in Piper's Creek. Also the "availability" of ground water to nourish the creek during our summer droughts reflects how you personally manage your part of the earth. Members of our Salmon Committee were painfully aware of the linkage to watershed residents April 13, 2003 when between 10,000 to 15,000 chum fry died in the Mohlendorph Imprint Pond on Venema Creek from the affects of muddy stormwater mixed with lawn and garden pesticides. Our chum stock is provided by the Suquamish Tribe to help bring our creek back to life.

Watershed kids from Broadview Thompson, Greenwood, Viewlands, Christ the King, St. John, and North Beach Elementary Schools are involved in the Salmon in the Schools Program growing eyed eggs to fed fry to release in Piper's Creek. They want to see their salmon return to a clean, healthy creek and flourish. That is why we need Salmon Friendly Neighbors! It is a simple three step program that in the end will save time, money and leave you feeling satisfied.

Step 1: Use the phone list and report any problems and follow the Take Care List in the Salmon Friendly Garden Brochure available at Carkeek Park. Step 2: Join in making Piper's Creek Watershed a Pesticide Free Zone for the health of humans and salmon alike. Call Washington Toxic Coalition at 206-296-4692 or visit their web site at www.watoxics.org for information. Order and display their Lady Bug Pesticide Free Zone Sign

to let your neighbors know your land is a safe, healthy place! Step 3: Shrink your lawn to help reduce the volume of stormwater going into Piper's Creek and its tributaries and to improve ground water recharge. Take a trip to Carkeek Park and look over the garden sites for ideas on how to "shrink" your lawn. If you would like to arrange for a workshop for you and your neighbors call me at 206-363-4116.

Let's get serious about making our watershed a healthy place!

Graffiti, litter, illegal dumping	206-684-7587
Illegal dumping in park	206-684-7088
Flooding, spills, pot holes	206-386-1218
KC Wastewater Treatment Plant	206-263-3840
Water quality concerns	206-684-7506
SPD North Precinct (non-emergency) ..	206-625-5011
Air smells or illegal burning	206-343-8800
Animal Control	206-386-7387 #2

Hazardous chemical spills	425-649-7000
Aurora household hazardous waste ...	206-296-4692
Runoff from construction projects	206-684-7899

Report damage to creek or wildlife:

Wildlife fisheries patrol	206-464-6610
WA Fish & wildlife, Region 4	360-775-1311
Carkeek Park ELC	206-684-0877

You can make a difference!

Advisory Council is a group of citizens dedicated to the enrichment of our community. Its support enables us to offer a variety of programs and services for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds.

Our Advisory Council is always looking for new members. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday evening of every month to talk about programs, policies, and financial issues. Citizen direction and participation are vital to our continued success. Advisory Council members also create scholarship opportunities through grant writing and other fundraising activities. If you'd like to get involved, please contact our staff. Most classes, workshops, sports, and special events are funded through the Advisory Council rather than through Seattle Parks and Recreation. Revenues generated through program fees offset program costs to make Advisory Council activities self-sustaining. We rely heavily on program participation, donations, and contributions to buy, repair, maintain, and upgrade program equipment and supplies.

Suggestions

We welcome your ideas. If you want to suggest a new class, or if you have an idea you think would benefit us or our community in general, please let us know.

Interested in teaching?

We're always looking for top quality instructors to offer courses. We offer classes based on participants' interest and space availability. If you have a special talent, skill, or knowledge you would like to share with others in a class or workshop format, please talk to a member of our staff.

Anti-discrimination

As a matter of policy, law, and commitment, Seattle Parks and Recreation does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, political ideology, age, creed, religion, ancestry, national origin, or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical handicap.

Accommodation for people with disabilities

We will make reasonable accommodation, upon request, for people with disabilities. For sign language interpretation, auxiliary aids or other accommodation, please call 206-615-0140 or TDD 206-684-4950. Please allow 10 working days' advance notice. If a class or activity is scheduled in an area not accessible for wheelchairs, we will make every effort to help you find a similar program in an accessible location.

Rentals

For information about room rentals, please view our facility rental brochure. (<http://www.seattle.gov/parks/reservations/facrentalguide.htm>)

More information

For information about Parks and Recreation facilities, recreation programs, picnic shelters, and scheduling, please visit our web site at www.seattle.gov/parks, or call our Public Information line, 206-684-4075. For more information about senior adult programs, please call 206-684-4951; and for information about programs for special population, please call 206-684-4950.

Fees and charges

Our Advisory Council provides the programs and activities listed in this brochure under an agreement with Seattle Parks and Recreation. Fees collected by the Advisory Council are used to offset the cost of providing the programs. Program charges include user fees of 3.25% paid to Seattle Parks and Recreation to defray operating costs. Class and program fees include Washington State sales tax when applicable.

Scholarships

Our Advisory Council wants to ensure that activities, classes and sports are available to everyone, regardless of their ability to pay. The Council offers scholarships for qualified applicants. To apply for a scholarship, please talk to a member of our staff.

Waiting lists

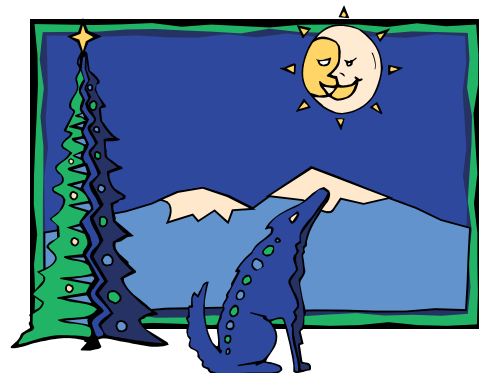
We create waiting lists for all filled classes. Please be sure to sign up if you are interested in a class that is full, because class openings often become available. If demand is high, we will try to form another class. Please contact us for space availability.

Class cancellations

To cover the cost of providing a program, we need a specific number of participants. If too few people sign up for a class, we must cancel it. We'll notify you (at the latest) one or two days before the class start date. When possible, we'll postpone a cancelled class for a week to allow for more enrollments; if the class minimum is not met by then, we'll have to cancel it.

Confirmations

Sorry, we cannot confirm class registration by mail or phone, but we will notify you by phone if your class is postponed or cancelled.



Program Registration Form

Make Check Payable to: Carkeek Park Advisory Council

Mail to: Carkeek Park Environmental Learning Center

950 NW Carkeek Park Rd

Seattle, WA 98177-4755

Phone: 206-684-0877 Fax: 206-364-4685

Name: _____ Day Phone _____

Address: _____ Eve Phone _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

REGISTRANT	PROGRAM TITLE	AGE	DATE	FEE
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